GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:233
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EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL FOR DRUGS AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up an Independent Export Promotion Council for Drugs and Pharmaceutical Companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Andhra Pradesh contributes about 30 percent of total bulk drugs export;

(d) if so, whether Andhra Pradesh has requested the Union Government to set up the PHARMAEXCIL at Hyderabad; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and time by which this Council is likely to be set up at Hyderabad and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) & (b) : The Government has received a request from the Pharmaceutical Associations for setting up an Independent Export Promotion Council for Drugs and Pharmaceuticals and they have been informed about the requisite conditions to be fulfilled for setting up a new Export Promotion Council.

(c) : Government of India is not maintaining statewise export data on bulk drugs.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Government of Andhra Pradesh has been informed that the first requirement for forming a new Export Promotion Council under Department of Commerce is to raise a corpus of Rs.3 crores by the respective Industry and the location of the Headquarter of the new Council is also to be decided by the Pharmaceutical Industry.